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1. GOK HAS ARRANGED SUFFICIENT NUMBER POLICE AIRCRAFT TO TRANSPORT ALL MEMBERS SECRETARY'S OFFICIAL PARTY (PLUS 3 SECRET SERVICE AGENTS AND DOCTOR) TO AND FROM NAKURU COMFORTABLY. TENTATIVELY PROPOSING TO HAVE FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI TRAVEL ON SAME PLANE AS SECRETARY ALONG WITH AMBASSADOR MARSHALL AND SECRET SERVICE AGENT. VICE PRESIDENT MOI MAY ALSO BE ASSIGNED SAME AIRCRAFT.

IN ADDITION, EMBASSY HAS CHARTERED THREE 9- PASSENGER AIRCRAFT TO TRANSPORT PRESS PARTY TO AND FROM NAKURU.

- 2. PER REF B AND C, WOULD RECOMMEND THAT DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON SEEK SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON ECONOMIC MATTERS WITH FINANCE MINISTER KIBAKI WHILE IN NAKURU. KIBAKI IS EXCEPTIONALLY ABLE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE IN ALL ECONOMIC MATTERS, BOTH INTERNALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY.
- 3. PER REF B, THERE ARE NO VILLAGES NEAR NAKURU WHICH WOULD JUSTIFY A SIDE TRIP. IN ANY CASE, BELIEVE THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TIME LIMITATIONS WOULD PRECLUDE DOING MORE THAN VISIT

TO LAKE NAKURU IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE SET FORTH IN REF C.

- 4. WE ARE CURRENTLY EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF VISITING MASAI VILLAGE WHEN SECRETARY VISITS LODGE MAY 3-4. WILL ADVISE WHEN WE SUCCEED IN GETTING SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ON THIS POSSIBILITY.
- 5. RE POSSIBLE GIFT EXCHANGE, FOREIGN MINISTRY ADVISED TODAY THAT THEY ARE RECOMMENDING AGAINST ANY EXCHANGE. HOWEVER, THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ADVISE US DEFINITIVELY UNTIL LATE SATURDAY, APRIL 24 AFTER MEETING WITH PRES. KENYATTA.
- 6. IT IS CURRENTLY PLANNED TO HAVE FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY DURING HIS ENTIRE NAKURU AREA VISIT. FINAL CONFIRMATION WILL BE GIVEN TO EMBASSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE HAVE ALSO ASKED MINISTRY TO ADVISE US WHETHER PRESIDENT KENYATTA WILL MAKE STATEMENT TO PRESS AND WHETHER HE PLANS TO MAKE TOAST AT LUNCHEON. ALSO WHETHER LUNCHEON WILL BE PURELY PRIVATE SO THAT IT WOULD BE IMPROPER TO RELEASE TOAST TO PRESS OR TO TAPE RECORD EXCHANGE. DO NOT EXPECT ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS BEFORE LATE APRIL 24.

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